



SC Annual School Report Card Summary

Pacolet Elementary

Spartanburg 3

Grades: PK-5

Enrollment: 391

Principal: Kenny Blackwood

Superintendent: Dr. James O. Ray

Board Chair: Mr. Eddie Dearybury

PERFORMANCE

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YEAR	ABSOLUTE RATING	GROWTH RATING	PALMETTO GOLD/SILVER AWARD	AYP STATUS	NCLB IMPROVEMENT STATUS
2008	Average	At-Risk	TBD	Not Met	N/A
2007	Average	Good	N/A	Met	N/A
2006	Average	At-Risk	Gold	Met	N/A

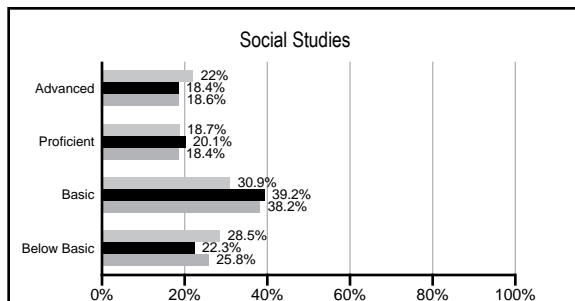
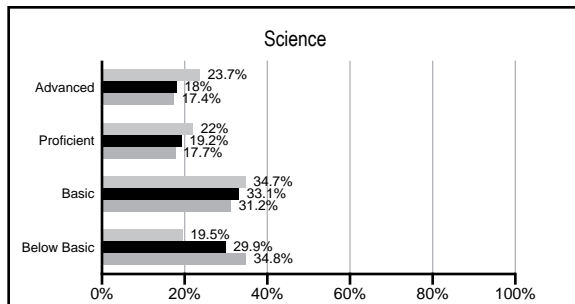
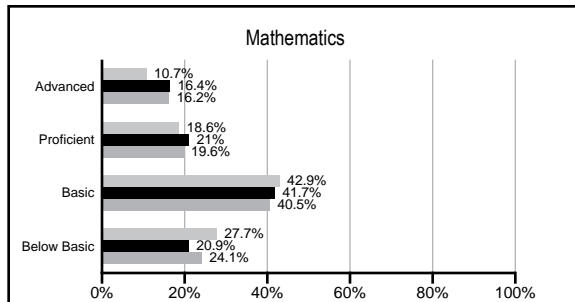
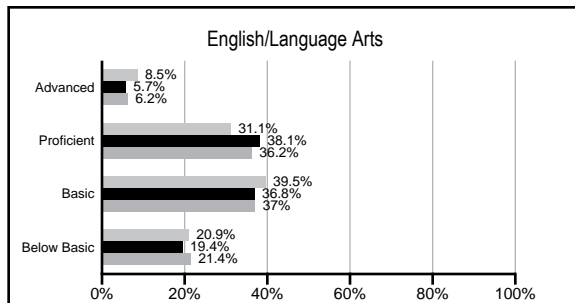
ABSOLUTE RATINGS OF ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS WITH STUDENTS LIKE OURS*

EXCELLENT	GOOD	AVERAGE	BELOW AVERAGE	AT-RISK
0	9	67	13	1

* Ratings are calculated with data available by 02/17/2009. Schools with Students like Ours are Elementary Schools with poverty indices of no more than 5% above or below the index for this school.

PACT PERFORMANCE

Our School Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours Elementary schools statewide



NAEP PERFORMANCE*

* Performance reported for SC and nation, data not available at school level. Percentages at NAEP Achievement Levels.



SC PERFORMANCE GOAL

2010 Goal:

By 2010, SC's student achievement will be ranked in the top half of the states nationally. To achieve this goal, we must become one of the fastest improving systems in the country.

2020 Goal: TBD

Abbreviations Key

N/A Not Applicable N/AV Not Available N/C Not Collected N/R Not Reported I/S Insufficient Sample TBD To be determined
NI Newly Identified CSI Continuing School Improvement CA Corrective Action RP Plan to Restructure R Restructure DELAY School Improvement Status HOLD School Improvement Status

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SCHOOL PROFILE

	Our School	Change from Last Year	Elementary Schools with Students Like Ours	Median Elementary School
Students (n=391)				
Retention rate	4.5%	Up from 4.3%	2.3%	2.3%
Attendance rate	96.3%	Up from 96.2%	96.3%	96.3%
Eligible for gifted and talented	8.3%	Down from 13.4%	10.9%	10.4%
With disabilities other than speech	13.0%	Up from 9.4%	8.4%	7.5%
Out-of-school suspensions or expulsions for violent &/or criminal offenses	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers (n=27)				
Teachers with advanced degrees	63.0%	Down from 64.3%	56.5%	56.7%
Continuing contract teachers	88.9%	Up from 85.7%	80.0%	77.3%
Teachers with emergency or provisional certificates	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
Teachers returning from previous year	92.6%	Up from 90.0%	87.8%	86.4%
Teacher attendance rate	95.7%	Down from 97.4%	95.0%	94.9%
Average teacher salary	\$50,137	Up 3.4%	\$45,039	\$45,345
Classes not taught by highly qualified teachers	0.0%	No Change	0.0%	0.0%
School				
Principal's years at school	1.0	Down from 8.0	4.0	4.0
Student-teacher ratio in core subjects	19.2 to 1	Up from 18.3 to 1	18.7 to 1	18.5 to 1
Prime instructional time	90.0%	Down from 93.0%	89.8%	89.8%
Opportunities in the arts	Good	No Change	Good	Good
SACS accreditation	Yes	No Change	Yes	Yes
Character development program	Excellent	Up from Good	Excellent	Excellent
Dollars spent per pupil*	\$9,185	Up 8.9%	\$6,733	\$7,052
Percent of expenditures for instruction*	N/A	N/A	68.9%	69.1%
Percent of expenditures for teacher salaries*	56.1%	Down from 56.7%	65.0%	64.2%
% of AYP objectives met	76.5%		88.2%	85.7%

* Prior year audited financial data available.

EVALUATION RESULTS

	Teachers	Students*	Parents*
Number of surveys returned	24	51	32
Percent satisfied with learning environment	91.3%	88.0%	90.0%
Percent satisfied with social and physical environment	95.8%	80.4%	84.4%
Percent satisfied with school-home relations	95.7%	96.1%	78.1%

*Only students at the highest elementary school grade level at this school and their parents were included.

REPORT OF PRINCIPAL AND SCHOOL IMPROVEMENT COUNCIL

Pacolet Elementary School is a culturally diverse, rural school located within the Town of Pacolet. As a hub in the community, our school serves students in pre-school through fifth grade and delivers challenging and meaningful instruction from highly qualified teachers. The 2007-2008 school year began with an administrative change and a collaborative effort of teachers, staff, parents, and students in developing a renewal plan which gave birth to several new initiatives.

The continued use of the Measures of Academic Progress (MAP) assessments provided a vital tool to measure student progress for students in grades one through five. The results of MAP gave teachers and parents detailed information to determine each child's strengths and weaknesses in reading, language, and math. Analyzing these results allowed us to make instructional changes in order to benefit each individual student in an immediate and well-informed manner.

Our PTO and community volunteers continue to be integral parts of our school successes by providing additional resources to enhance our instructional and positive behavior programs throughout the year, such as reading buddies, class volunteers, PAWS (Practice Hard Work – Achieve as Much as You Can – Wear a Good Attitude – Show Respect), student incentives, yearbook, teacher/staff appreciation, and classroom supplies.

The commitment of all stakeholders in the Pacolet community has assisted in the continued increase of student achievement, a positive school climate, and several school awards – Palmetto Silver Award, Golden Achievement Award, and several individual staff awards. We are very proud of our accomplishments during the 2007-2008 school year and hope you will share in our celebrations.

Yours for a better education:

Kenny Blackwood, Principal
DeDe Quinn, SIC Chairperson

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